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For: Use of An Anthracycline Derivative for The Treatment of Liver Tumor

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Claims 2-12 and 15-17 have been rewritten as follows:

~~2. (Amended) The use according to claim 1 wherein the liver tumor is a tumor primarily confined to the liver.~~

3. (Amended) The use according to claim 2 wherein the tumor primarily confined to the liver is a hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) or a cholangiocarcinoma.

4. (Amended) The use according to claim 1 wherein the tumor is a liver metastasis.

5. (Amended) The use according to claim 1 wherein the intrahepatic administration of MMDX is via the hepatic artery.